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Although the preferred embodiments of the present invention have been disclosed for illustrative purposes, those skilled in the art will appreciate that various modifications, additions and substitutions are possible, without departing from the scope and spirit of the invention as disclosed in the accompanying claims.

#### ABSTRACT

The object of this invention is to provide a curling iron using heated fluid as its heat source ~~for heating~~ hair. The curling iron of the present invention is comprised of a fluid heating unit ~~which heats the fluid to produce steam (100) used as the heat source,~~ a heating unit ~~which transfers heat of the steam to hair, and~~ thereby curls the hair, and curling tongs ~~which support the heating unit so as to allow the heating unit to heat the hair while the curling tongs grasp the hair.~~ Since the curling iron uses heated fluid as its heat source for heating hair, the curling iron uses heated fluid as its heat source for heating hair, the curling iron maintains a constant temperature capable of accomplishing a desired curling effect and prevents an excessive increase in its temperature so as to prevent damage to the hair.